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Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 11/13/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Claims 3, 7, 33, 39, 45, 51, and 57 do not pertain to the elected Species I embodied by Fig. 2. Parent claim 3 recites "a ferromagnetic body functioning as a magnetic pole". As disclosed in the specification, the purpose of ferromagnetic elements 8 and 9 is to suppress leakage magnetic fields.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ramon M Barrera whose telephone number is (703)308-0636. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 3 to 6PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Elvin G. Enad can be reached on (703)308-7619. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703)308-7724 for regular communications and (703)305-3431 for After Final communications.

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